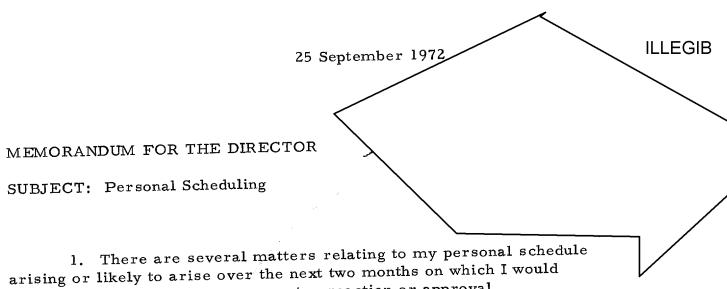
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- like to touch base for your comments, reaction or approval.
- 2. First, my parents are arriving on Wednesday evening (27 September) for a brief visit. Subject to your approval, I would like to take off as much of Thursday and Friday (28 and 29 September) as WSAG meetings, Haig's project and other requirements permit.
- 3. Second, for reasons that seemed cogent at the time, the only leave I took last summer was one four workday period in June. I would like to take one week in mid-October, decamping somewhere with my wife if the logistics of child care can be solved. Timing, at this stage, is very flexible.
- 4. Third, the Army War College has asked me to give a seminar on Mainland Southeast Asia at Carlisle on Thursday, 26 October. If you concur, this would involve my being absent from Washington on that day.
- 5. Finally, there is the matter of my parish visitation, originally scheduled for last spring but slipped at your request then scrubbed after the offensive was launched on 30 March. I would like to put it back on the active list with an eye to a possible mid-November departure, with stops in South Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia and Thailand. By then it will be post-offensive and post-U.S. election, which will make it a good time for a first-hand temperature reading.

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